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By 36 yeas to 59 nays (Vote No. 89), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to waive pursuant to section 904 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 and section (4)(G)(3) of the statutory Pay-As-You-Go Act of 2010, all applicable sections of those acts and applicable budget resolutions, with respect to Bennett Amendment No. 3568, to protect the democratic process and the right of the people of the District of Columbia to define marriage. Subsequently, the Chair sustained a point of order that the amendment violates section 305(b)(2) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 was sustained, and the amendment thus fell.

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By 40 yeas to 55 nays (Vote No. 91), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to waive pursuant to section 904 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 and section (4)(G)(3) of the statutory Pay-As-You-Go Act of 2010, all applicable sections of those acts and applicable budget resolutions, with respect to Hutchison Amendment No. 3635, to repeal the sunset on marriage penalty relief and to make the election to deduct State and local sales taxes permanent. Subsequently, the Chair sustained a point of order that the amendment violates section 313(b)(1)(c) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 was sustained, and the amendment thus fell.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at 9:45 a.m., on Thursday, March 25, 2010, and that it be in order to offer amendments to and make points of order on the measure until 2 p.m.; provided further, that at 2 p.m., Senate vote on passage of the bill.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Carl Wieman, of Colorado, to be an Associate Director of the Office of Science and Technology Policy.

Rafael Moure-Eraso, of Massachusetts, to be Chairperson of the Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board for a term of five years.

Rafael Moure-Eraso, of Massachusetts, to be a Member of the Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board for a term of five years.

Mark A. Griffon, of New Hampshire, to be a Member of the Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board for a term of five years.

Robert M. Orr, of Florida, to be United States Director of the Asian Development Bank, with the rank of Ambassador.

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Nomination Discharged: The following nomination were discharged from further committee consideration and placed on the Executive Calendar:

Arthur Allen Elkins, Jr., of Maryland, to be Inspector General, Environmental Protection Agency, which was sent to the Senate on November 18, 2009, from the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

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Record Votes: Twenty-nine record votes were taken today. (Total—92)

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 9 a.m. on Wednesday, March 24, 2010 and adjourned at 2:56 a.m. on Thursday, March 25, 2010, until 9:45 a.m. on the same day. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on pages S2067–68.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee ordered favorably reported an original bill entitled, "Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010", with amendments.

APPROPRIATIONS: GUARD AND RESERVE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2011 for the Guard and Reserve, after receiving testimony from General Craig R. McKinley, Chief, National Guard Bureau, Major General Raymond W. Carpenter, Director, Army National Guard, Lieutenant General Harry M. Wyatt III, Director, Air National Guard, Lieutenant

General Jack Stultz, Chief, Army Reserve, Vice Admiral Dirk Debbink, Chief, Navy Reserve, Lieutenant General John F. Kelley, Commander, Marine Forces Reserve and Marine Forces North, and Lieutenant General Charles E. Stenner, Jr., Chief, Air Force Reserve, all of the Department of Defense.

APPROPRIATIONS: OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2011 for the Office of Personnel Management, after receiving testimony from John Berry, Director, Office of Personnel Management.

MILITARY HEALTH SYSTEM PROGRAMS

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Personnel concluded a hearing to examine Military Health System programs, policies, and initiatives in review of the Defense Authorization request for fiscal year 2011 and the Future Years Defense Program, after receiving testimony from Senator Cardin; and Charles L. Rice, President, Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences, Performing the duties of the Assistant Secretary for Health Affairs, and Acting Director, and Rear Admiral C.S. Hunter, USN, Deputy Director, both of TRICARE Management Activity, Lieutenant General Eric B. Schoomaker, Surgeon General of the United States Army, and Commander, U.S. Army Medical Command, Vice Admiral Adam M. Robinson, Jr., MC, USN, Surgeon General of the Navy, Lieutenant General Charles B. Green, Surgeon General of the Air Force, and Rear Admiral Richard R. Jeffries, USN, Medical Officer of the United States Marine Corps, all of the Department of Defense.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 773, to ensure the continued free flow of commerce within the United States and with its global trading partners through secure cyber communications, to provide for the continued development and exploitation of the Internet and intranet communications for such purposes, to provide for the development of a cadre of information technology specialists to improve and maintain effective cybersecurity defenses against disruption, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 2881, to provide greater technical resources to FCC Commissioners, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 1252, to promote ocean and human health and for other purposes, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 2870, to establish uniform administrative and enforcement procedures and penalties for the enforcement of the High Seas Driftnet Fishing Moratorium Protection Act and similar statutes;

S. 2871, to make technical corrections to the Western and Central Pacific Fisheries Convention Implementation Act; and

The nominations of Robert J. Papp, Jr., to be Commandant of the U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, Larry Robinson, of Florida, to be Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Oceans and Atmosphere, Earl F. Weener, of Oregon, to be a Member of the National Transportation Safety Board, Michael F. Tillman, of California, and Daryl J. Boness, of Maine, both to be a Member of the Marine Mammal Commission, and Jeffrey R. Moreland, of Texas, to be a Director of the Amtrak Board of Directors, and a promotion list in the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Commissioned Corps and the U.S. Coast Guard.

TRANSPORTATION POLICY

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee concluded a hearing to examine opportunities to improve energy security and the environment through transportation policy, after receiving testimony from John D. Porcari, Deputy Secretary of Transportation; Regina A. McCarthy, Assistant Administrator, Office of Air and Radiation, Environmental Protection Agency; Larry F. Greene, Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District, Sacramento, California; and Deron Lovaas, Natural Resources Defense Council (NRDC), Douglas V. Siglin, Chesapeake Bay Foundation, and Richard Kolodziej, Natural Gas Vehicles for America (NVGAmerica), all of Washington, D.C.

NOMINATION

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of Major General Robert A. Harding, United States Army (Retired), of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security, after the nominee testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

HOMELESSNESS AMONG VETERANS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine Veterans' Affairs plan for ending homelessness among veterans, after receiving testimony from Pete Dougherty, Director, Homeless Programs, and Lisa Pape, Acting Director, Mental Health Homeless and Residential Rehabilitation Treatment Programs, both of the Department of

Veterans Affairs; Raymond Jefferson, Assistant Secretary of Labor for Veterans' Employment and Training Service; Mark Johnston, Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development for Community Planning and Development; Sandra A. Miller, The

Philadelphia Veterans Multi-Service & Education Center, Inc., Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; Sam Tsemberis, Pathways to Housing, Inc., New York, New York; and Arnold Shipman, Baltimore, Maryland.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 19 public bills, H.R. 4919–4937; and 7 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 257; and H. Res. 1213–1218 were introduced. **Pages H2317–18**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H2318–19**

Report Filed: A report was filed today as follows:

H. Res. 1212, providing for consideration of the Senate amendments to the bill (H.R. 1586) to impose an additional tax on bonuses received from certain TARP recipients (H. Rept. 111–456). **Page H2317**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Speier to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H2263**

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measure:

Federal Aviation Administration Extension Act of 2010: H.R. 4915, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the funding and expenditure authority of the Airport and Airway Trust Fund and to amend title 49, United States Code, to extend authorizations for the airport improvement program. **Pages H2268–73**

Suspension—Proceedings Postponed: The House debated the following measure under suspension of the rules. Further proceedings were postponed:

Major Charles R. Soltes, Jr., O.D. Department of Veterans Affairs Blind Rehabilitation Center Designation Act: H.R. 4360, to designate the Department of Veterans Affairs blind rehabilitation center in Long Beach, California, as the "Major Charles R. Soltes, Jr., O.D. Department of Veterans Affairs Blind Rehabilitation Center". **Pages H2267–68**

Adjournment Resolution: The House agreed to H. Con. Res. 257, providing for an adjournment or recess of the two Houses, by a yea-and-nay vote of 236 yeas to 175 nays, Roll No. 178. **Page H2279**

Suspensions—Proceedings Resumed: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following

measures which were debated on Tuesday, March 23rd:

Recognizing the Florida Keys Scenic Highway: H. Res. 917, amended, to recognize the Florida Keys Scenic Highway on the occasion of its designation as an All-American Road by the U.S. Department of Transportation, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yea-and-nay vote of 420 yeas to 2 nays, Roll No. 180; **Pages H2280–81**

Secure Federal File Sharing Act: H.R. 4098, amended, to require the Director of the Office of Management and Budget to issue guidance on the use of peer-to-peer file sharing software to prohibit the personal use of such software by Government employees, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yea-and-nay vote of 408 yeas to 13 nays, with 1 voting "present", Roll No. 183; and **Page H2299**

Chaney, Goodman, Schwerner Federal Building Designation Act: H.R. 3562, amended, to designate the Federal building under construction at 1220 Echelon Parkway in Jackson, Mississippi, as the "Chaney, Goodman, Schwerner Federal Building." **Page H2311**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: "To designate the federally occupied building located at 1220 Echelon Parkway in Jackson, Mississippi, as the 'James Chaney, Andrew Goodman, and Michael Schwerner Federal Building'." **Page H2311**

Suspension—Proceedings Resumed: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measure which was debated on Monday, March 22nd:

National Guard Employment Protection Act: H.R. 1879, amended, to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for employment and reemployment rights for certain individuals ordered to full-time National Guard duty, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yea-and-nay vote of 416 yeas with 1 voting "nay", Roll No. 184. **Pages H2299–H2300**

Small Business and Infrastructure Jobs Tax Act of 2010: The House passed H.R. 4849, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide tax incentives for small business job creation, extend the